DLC Business Meeting – Audio transcript

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Hello everyone. Before we get started, just a reminder to use the chat for questions, comments and technical reminders. we will hand over to will, to start the session.
Our first order of business is, we need to do a roll call. I will turn it over to our secretary Sarah, who will go through and confirm that we will call each member's name and I ask that you please verbally respond so we can determine and confirm that I will turn it over to you.
Thank you.
Valerie Glenn?
Present.
Richard?
You need to unmute.
There are actually two of us.
Richard white high [Inaudible - static]
Jen. Alan?
Present. Jennifer Morgan?
Present.
Julia?
Present.
Rick?
Present. I will try Vicki Tate one more time. I see her signed in. Ricky, did you just say something?
Okay. Richard. I still can't hear Richard. Richard, if you can say in the chat if you are present?
Vicki just got her mic.

Okay. Everybody is present. So, the spring depository library conference minutes have been posted. They are also available online. Our audience members. I am not hearing any additions or corrections. So I moved to accept these minutes as written.

Wait a second. We have a motion to accept the notes from the spring 2021 library Council meeting. They will now move to vote. If you are in favor of approving the minutes as written, please check the green checkmark next to your name. If you oppose, please checkmark the X checkmark. If you sustain, please do not check any checkmarks. [Inaudible - static] [Inaudible - static]

They are working on central locations.

They have confidence. The community they would like to have. They are in the ideal online category. The discussion he will send out that report to counsel. 2021 open form. They will get feedback on the open form. They begin to draft that report to counsel. And we also they need to connect libraries. They connect libraries using the same IRS. this will be the best practices and how to's. they have individual IRS systems. They share information, ideas and best practices. That concludes my update.

Thank you, well. My name is Lisa. I am the librarian at Michigan State University. The former member Robbie serving the chair. The working group will explore current and future needs of the deposit dissemination content and content by GPO. Next slide. Thank you. Membership as you can see here, the members of the community. Next slide. they have comparison questions. Key findings for participants are not familiar searching for unreported government publications. They suggest that training be available. we also found that they are reporting government publications. They add a fielded form. The digital deposit also conducted a pilot project, to look for unreported publications. based on 1049 reports managed to find and report while also discovering the problems loss. Lastly, they have the organization cases. Once these actions are complete, they have the official deposit group. Thank you.

Thank you very much for the reports. the alternative state since March 1998. they are increasing the amount of the artificial increased in crest. The Council created a working group to investigate the durability and alternatives to present findings. These -- please note you can view the working group. also members from the community. The members that we have from counsel -- a councilmember also serves as a secretary. Let me go back to our councilmembers. They serve as a chair. We have Alec Bradley the GPA liaison. Also serving as the GPA liaison. Serving as the designated official position. They have James Jacobs. Both are beginning on the working group as councilmembers. They have continued as community members when the council ended this past May. They are at the end of the previous council turned.

Highlights for 2021. The working group has conducted three workers for group sessions. This is one of the working group, to conduct focus groups. They have a literature review and background information. They completed a draft document.

It is a small working group that was comprised of the group, to come up with principles. These sub group has produced a draft of principles included in the final reports. Initially throughout the 2021 working group, they are looking for the research of PID. They have begun drafting the final reports. What is next for the core working group? Completing and submitting the final report which is one of the state delivered charges for the working group. Additionally -- the next step is that the working group will also draft and submit any recommendations to present to counsel. Finally upon the completion of both -- the potential recommendations to counsel, the working group -- that is the reports. The long-term impact.

They will we discussed the first year of COVID-19. It is a very interesting -- we have interesting information coming out of that. They want to delve more fully into that topic. We have those same topics in more detail. the chart summary -- this working group will examine the practices, policies and depository libraries since March 2020. As they adapted to the COVID-19 pandemic. It will assess the long-term impact of the institutional and national level. It will examine pandemic practices, policies and procedures.

Put more colloquially -- how did things change in the last year and a half? How many of those policies and practices can we have the next slide please?

Current actions will begin in July of 2021. we started gathering articles and started identifying classical sources of future data. This has been a huge amount of material that was published on this topic. Due to the peer review process taking a while. Are literature has been copied. we are still waiting for that to be produced, so we can examine it. that is what that looks like and what information depended on survey results. And what is in the published works. And again -- we hope to report back with our initial findings. Depending -- based upon what information is put together in the meantime. Next slide, please.

That is that. I will leave it up for questions after that.

Thank you.

We will have that final report by the end of this year. the plan is to have that finished by the end of this calendar year. We plan on having the report on lessons learned from what we held today. they will be back by spring at the least. I don't think there is a set date built into our charge.

Are there any additional questions, comments or feedback? It looks like we will have a question from the community. Basically we are looking at this review period to see what changes have been made. We want to see what is in the immediate future. Multiple future surveys as well, so that years from now, it will be much easier to track changes. The intention is not for you to sort of guess, which of these will be in place for a long time. This is about you, the person, filling out the survey. What changes have you made that are still in place now? Future numbers will look at this years later and get a sense of trends. To get more background on that. Another thing we are interested in long-term -- we are looking at things like selection profiles. We are looking at leading activities. The idea is 10-20 years from now, looking at all of this data we have collected -- seeing major changes across the entire program. To see how hit has impacted collections and how they interacted with each other. So -- as a person filling out the form -- don't worry too much about long-term. Just sort of based them on changes in the last two years. And as I sent -- this is really meant to be collected over a long period of time. Don't stress too much about it will be in in a few years. They will have a snapshot of this moment.

Thank you for that really good explanation. Another way the data can be used -- looking at it over time. How the depositary library program failed during the pandemic. We know from many open forms, that you all have been wonderful about maintaining access and services. But, looking at that on a larger scale -- also seeing how that relates to what we find in the literature. How other libraries are doing.

Thank you for those answers. we will now move on to our next agenda item.

I will go ahead and start. One of the things that I come across -- I was in the presentation yesterday. The college university.

Some of the things I found very informational -- there were several things that really struck out at me. That kind of caught my attention. The lack of Internet access. The tribal FDL's. Not those themselves. the presentation noted that the tribal community had the highest price of Internet access -- many of those folks do not have access to that. one of the things that made me think about that. What happens to communities that don't have Internet access? The question is -- are we serving those communities? Overall? Let's listen to the presentation of the University. We have a rich collection that also served the community. It seems at least from -- there are some areas that might be some additional support. That started -- I don't know. I don't say alarm bells. And cultural. Of course one of the things I always like to point out is -- we have the depositories as well. They made me wonder, if there are areas where those libraries might lead that investigation to figure out. Where they couldn't need some additional support. Whether there are challenges and issues that they have. Part of the community that maybe every depository has. I want to see what the Council is looking at. They are looking at these tribal libraries. I want to open up and see what your thoughts are.

This is Richard. I just want to comment on what you just said. There is a tremendous need for depository libraries to have good, strong Internet access to the extent of we as a council need the ability to facilitate increased access among them on tribal libraries. I am all for it.

I think that we all should do whatever we can.

This is Amy. I agree but I have some questions. There is a lot to unpack with what you were asking. And I say this because I have been trying to get a tribal library here in Washington to become a federal depository, the whole time I've been here. I don't think it is going to happen. Lori can probably speak to Whitmore. I just left the ball in her court, I think. A couple of years ago. And a lot of the problems with Internet -- at least out in the west -- is geography. And geology. Because of the vast stretches of land and the fact that we have lots of mountains that Internet does not seem to work well. A lot of the tribal land is around that area. I'm speaking from having worked in New Mexico and in Nevada and in Washington. And others can probably speak to this as well. I can't same for California and Oregon. But, I know there are problems in Wyoming and Utah. Some parts of Utah. Some parts of Arizona as well.

Getting Internet access to the depository libraries -- would be ideal. I just don't know what kind of recommendation we can find, other than the support doing this. And I do support it. 100%! I just don't know what you were thinking of. I guess I just have a lack of imagination. I would love to hear more of what you envision.

I just wanted to say -- I actually sat in on that as well. I was thinking -- perhaps having some sort of partnership or foundation. A private corporation that might provide some funding and help you

I don't think like that are already in place. That might be one way to get it started in terms of making sure that there is funding and support.

I thought it was very interesting, too. The disparity that exists in certain communities.

Everybody wants the virus to go away.

That wasn't the case.

This is Jennifer. I agree with you. Access is important. Funding is important. Also, expertise is needed to facilitate the use of government information. Subject expertise.

Technology expertise in the case of information literacy. Information technology. I would add expertise to access funding.

This is Lisa. A couple of things. Some things stood out to me during those presentations. The first was the wonderful work being done by the GPO liaison that goes to the conference tribal librarians. I thought that was an extraordinary program. They brought the kind of expertise. Two people that want it and needed. 2 it seems like there could be a broader -- pilot program.

They cut help in ways that they want tell. and passion for continuing to gather print materials. Even though they admitted, they don't have the room for them. But the presentations that they gave spoke to the power of those materials. To help tell stories. That can be forgotten sometimes. And so it seems in a range of needs. Listening to those communities. They need preservation and cataloging to make those tangible collections. Maybe that can be part of the recommendation just finding out if there are big areas if needed. Particular collections. They need to work with those. They would love helping in a particular way. That is what struck me during those presentations. There could be some valuable help that that can be given. This is huge. It is very involved. To answer the question -- that is what I had in mind. They want to make that recommendation. They can create a working group. you can find out, whether these challenges and issues -- how this can be addressed. There can be a lot to unpack. They will start to figure those out. My kind of idea or thoughts were -- they might want to again get that subcommittee. That type of entity. They want to start figuring that out. Then, there might be recommendations coming out of that. To bring that initial support on the line of what I was thinking. So - that way they have an even more effective way to understand those issues. Then -- to begin to address them. It will not happen overnight. Let's be honest.

I am so happy and relieved to hear you say that. I thought you said recommendations. And I was going to say -- we are nowhere near making a recommendation. But especially if we can get people right there in the HBC you -- in the tribal libraries -- as much as I have worked alongside people in tribal libraries -- I do not feel qualified that I can make those recommendations. I can listen. I can certainly advocate. I am not there. I am happy to do both of those things. I am happy to be on a working group. If you get what I am saying. I'm getting tongue-tied. I better stop talking, not enough coffee in the world today.

I did it again!

Are there any other members of council that would like to comment on this?

I am hearing none from counsel at this time. I would like to put forward a motion to counsel, to support that recommendation to the GPO, to recommend the creation of a subcommittee working with other mechanisms to address potential needs, collections, issues and anything else related to tribal -- to support them in the long term.

Second.

We have a motion on the floor. I second it at this time.

Would anybody like to continue the discussion? Are you all okay moving forward with this? Do not check any checkmarks if you wish to abstain. are there any other things you would like to bring up to the Council at this time? Hearing none, at this time we will move to our final agenda. Questions, comments and feedback. At this time I would like to invite all of you attendance as the federal depository library community to post comments, questions or feedback into the chat. I will read those allowed as they come in. [Silence] [Captioner standing by]

We have a question from Sarah she said I wonder about FDL's in the territories. What they be included and work with tribal and HBC you? That is a great question. I did not want to limit it. We don't have a subcommittee. It is not created by the director or the designated federal official. Which would be Lori hall. Potentially if -- it does not mean it couldn't be included as well. The libraries -- they have certain qualifications. From Rodney, a common. He said it might be a good idea to get beat feedback from tribal libraries that are not part of the depository program as well as those that are. And you for the comment, Rodney. I agree with you on that. That is an excellent idea. Thank you, for sharing that common. If you have any rich friends asked them to pledge money for an award, it will help us get ALA to support on a word. For counsel, I don't believe we can do that. We have about four minutes remaining for additional questions, comments and feedback. The depository library. Will there be a move to in person conferences for 2022? P a question for GPO. I am unable to answer that. That is a very good question.

Thank you, Lori. this time we have just under two minutes remaining for additional comments, questions and feedback.

They have an agreement from our secretary as well. Thank you to the GPO and the counsel. we have a bout 3:30 Eastern time for another conference meeting. Thank you all so much, for your time.

Thank you, well. Thank you Frank and session. This concludes events for this room. Remember that the wrap up includes a session that begins at 4:45 in the other virtual room. You will have to close out of this room first and use the other URL to enter the meeting room. They are all found on our event page. Have a great evening everyone, thank you for joining us.